Newberry Elementary School
1829 Nance Street
Newberry, SC 29108

South Carolina State Report Card

State and federal laws require public schools to release report cards to the public each year. This year, the report card has been updated to reflect changes in reporting directed by the SC Education Oversight Committee. Schools will not be rated for state accountability purposes until Fall 2017 when the state will transition to a single accountability system. The following reports student performance in school year 2014-15.

Grades:	PK-5 Elementary	**Principal:**	Reggie Wicker
Enrollment:	443 students	**Superintendent:**	Bennie Bennett
School Phone:	803-321-2670	**Board Chair:**	Mr. Jody Hamm
School Website:	http://newberryes.org/		

Profile of the SC Graduate

World Class Knowledge

- Rigorous standards in language arts and math for career and college readiness
- Multiple languages, science, technology, engineering, mathematics (STEM), arts and social sciences*

World Class Skills

- Creativity and innovation
- Critical thinking and problem solving
- Collaboration and teamwork
- Communication, information, media and technology
- Knowing how to learn

Life and Career Characteristics

- Integrity
- Self-direction
- Global perspective
- Perseverance
- Work ethic
- Interpersonal skills

* 21st Century core courses in Social Sciences include History, Geography, Economics, Government and Civics.

WORLD CLASS SKILLS & LIFE AND CAREER CHARACTERISTICS

Our school is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the Graduate by …

Newberry Elementary School is helping all students develop the world class skills and life and career characteristics of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate by providing a safe, caring, and academically challenging learning environment. Our mission at NES is to to partner with our families, community and school and personally empower students to become successful, lifelong learners. We demonstrate this vision by challenging our students and teachers to reach their full potential each day. Teachers have participated in district wide curriculum trainings and the Inspire and Engage Consulting Services that have equipped teachers with strategies, tools and resources to engage all students in purposeful and meaningful learning experiences that will prepare them to meet the challenges of the 21st Century. Each year, students participate in academic ceremonies, Montessori ceremonies, and grade level Promotion Programs. We also recognize students throughout the year for meeting academic and behavior goals. Guest speakers, field studies, family nights, school-based learning, and district wide academic and athletic events provide experiences outside of the classroom for our students. Our students produce a morning news show, serve as media center helpers, and are members of the safety patrol. Third grade students attend the opera house performances on a monthly basis through the Dufford Foundation grant. Our school chorus, The NES Honors Chorus, performed at the city Christmas parade, the musical Annie, that was performed in our auditorium, and received an Excellent rating at Carowinds Music Festival. Parent volunteers, community members, and civic organizations provide support for our school. We also have a school based parenting coordinator. With the help of members of the community and local businesses, Sonic and McDonald's coupons were provided for students to help support character education and our school wide PBIS initiative. We were able to host our Clemson vs Carolina Fall Food Drive, Pennies for Patients, Jump Rope for Heart, Relay for Life Campaign, a Back Pack Program, and Spring Carnival this past year to help with community and parent involvement. Newberry Elementary School is a learning community in which the administration, faculty, staff, and community members' work together to ensure students are successful. Thank you for all of your support in helping the development of our future SC graduates and world leaders. Mrs. Anne Smith, SIC Chair Mr. Reggie Wicker, Principal

KNOWLEDGE

The ACT Aspire assessment was given to students in grades 3-8 in Spring 2015. Students were assessed in the subject areas of Reading, English, Mathematics and Writing

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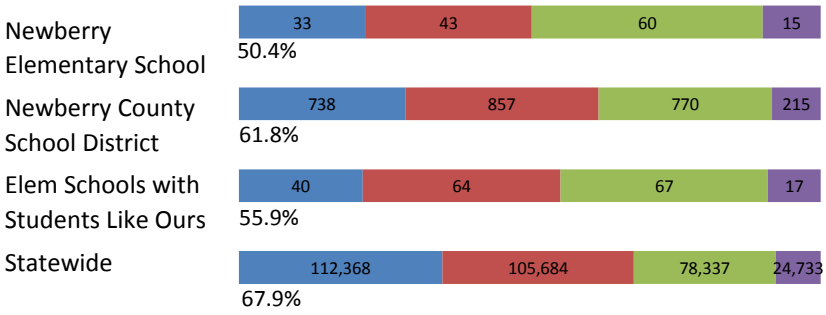

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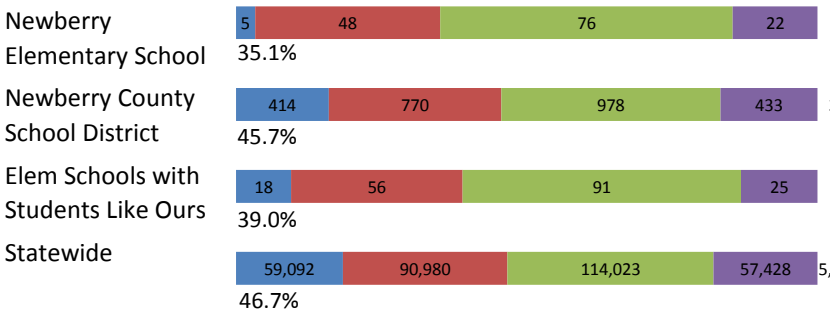

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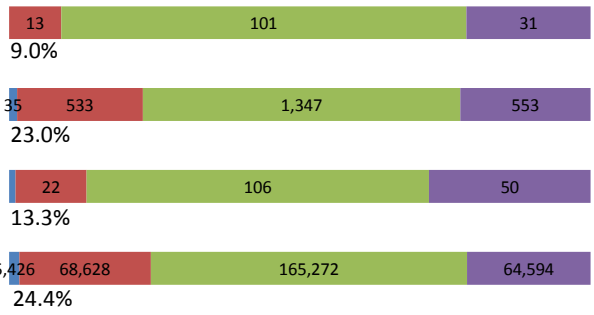

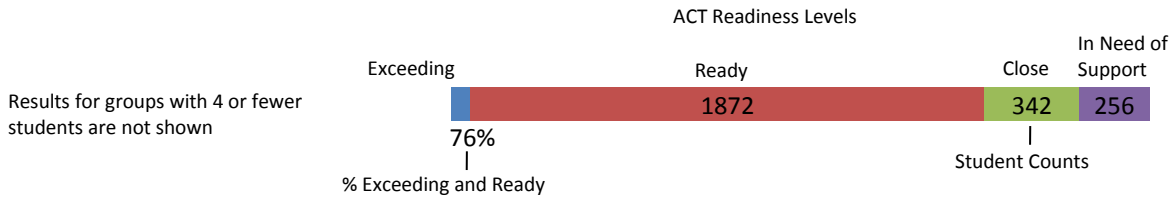

Results for groups with 4 or fewer students are not shown

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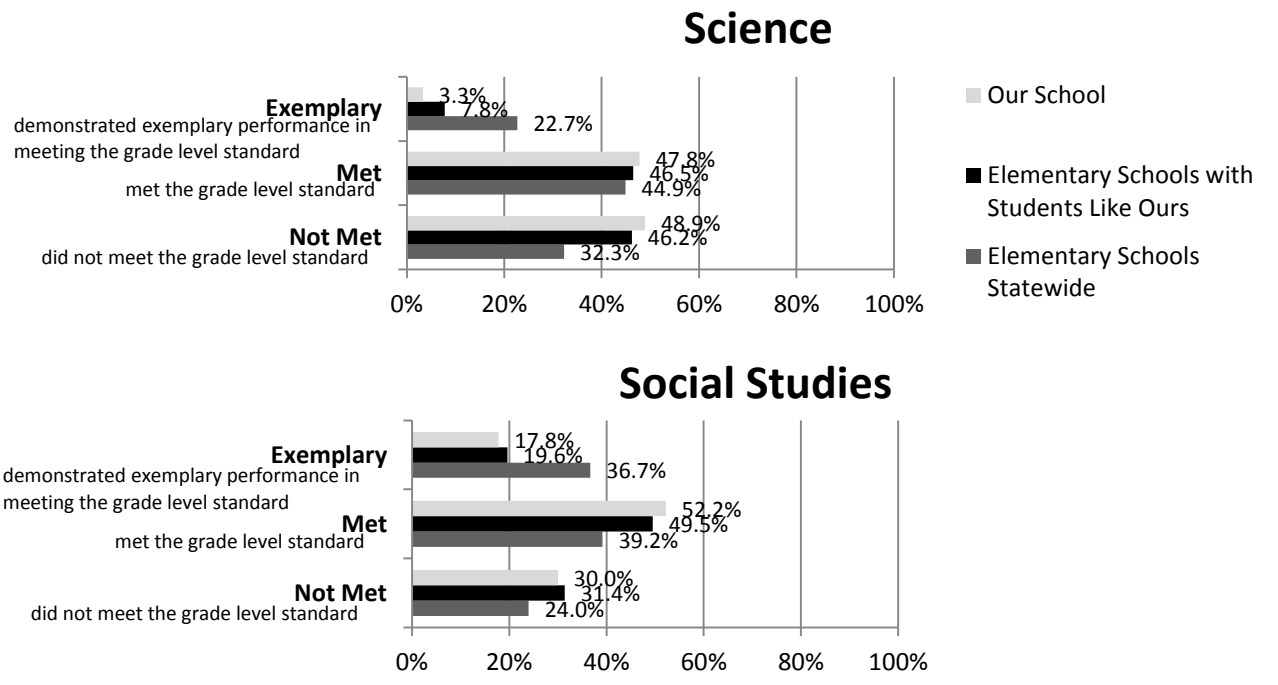
The SC Palmetto Assessment of State Standards (SCPASS) was given to students in grades 4 - 8 in Spring 2015. Students were assessed in the subject areas of Science and Social Studies.



Science SCPASS	
Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level	
4th grade	5th grade
60.0	40.0
Social Studies SCPASS	
Our School: Percent Met and Above for each grade level	
4th grade	5th grade
80.0	57.5

Note: Results include SC-Alt assessment results.

Exemplary	**"Exemplary"**: student demonstrated exemplary performance in meeting the grade level standard.
Met	**"Met"**: student met the grade level standard.
Not Met	**"Not Met"**: student did not meet the grade level standard.

Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours are elementary schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for the school.

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OPPORTUNITIES

For students to meet the profile of the SC Graduate

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with students like ours
Students (n = 443)			
Percent of students participating in Medicaid, SNAP, or TANF; homeless, foster, or migrant students (poverty index)	89.0	Down from 91.3%	N/A
Attendance Rate	95.6	Down from 95.7%	95.4
With disabilities	12.1	Down from 13.4%	13.0
Out of school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.0	No change	0.0
Percentage of students served by gifted and talented programs	12.8	Up from 8.0%	3.8
Percentage of students retained	0.7	Up from 0.5%	1.5
Teachers (n = 30)			
Percentage of teachers with advanced degrees	43.3	Down from 46.9%	59.5
Percentage of teachers on continuing contract	70.0	Up from 68.8%	75.6
Teachers returning from previous year	80.0	Down from 84.4%	84.4
Teacher attendance rate	99.7	Up from 96.0%	95.0
Average teacher salary*	$41,802	Up 0.9%	$46,492
Professional development days / teacher	7.7 days	Down from 9.4 days	10.5 days
Percentage of teacher vacancies for more than 9 weeks	0.0	N/A	1.4
School			
Principal's years at school	4.0	Up from 3.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.6 to 1	Up from 19.9 to 1	19.0 to 1
Prime instructional time	95.2	Up from 90.8%	89.2
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No change	Good
Opportunities in foreign languages	Poor	N/A	Poor
AdvancEd (SACS) accreditation	Yes	No change	Yes
Parents attending conferences	100.0	No change	100.0
Character development program	Excellent	No change	Excellent
Avg. age of books / electronic media in the school library	14.0	N/A	15.4
Number of resources available per student in the school library media center	27.0	N/A	29.1
Bandwidth capacity per student	<25 Mbps	N/C	N/A
Percent of classrooms with wireless access	51-75%	N/C	N/A
District-issued learning devices per student	0.3	N/C	0.8
District-issued technology devices per teacher	2.3	N/C	2.0
Percentage of classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0	No change	0.0
Dollars spent per pupil**	$7,281	Down 0.0%	$8,314
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	70.3	Up from 70.0%	65.7
Percent of expenditures for teachers' salaries**	71.4	Up from 70.5%	66.8

* Includes current year teachers contracted for 190 days or more.

** Prior year audited financial data are reported.

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Evaluations by Teachers, Students, and Parents

Evaluations by Teachers, Students, and Parents	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	23	45	34
Percent satisfied with learning environment	95.7	86.7	91.2
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	100.0	86.7	87.9
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	91.3	86.7	70.6

* Only students at the highest elementary school grade and their parents were included.

State Ratings History of School

Year	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating
2014	Average	Average
2013	Average	Below Average
2012	Average	Average

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Additional Resources

SC State Content Standards
Family-Friendly Guides to the SC Content Standards
2014-15 Accountability Manual
Report Card Data Files
ESEA Data Files

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